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**From:** Wall, Dan  
**Sent:** Thur 9/5/2013 3:00:32 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas River sampling

Hi Jim

Steve Auer and I will be available to help on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> if you still need it. Have you heard anything from the train people? Robyn still waiting to hear back and we will contact you as soon as we know anything.

Would it be possible to collect fish (~10 individuals/site <4 inches) for chemical analysis from Tefts spur, Elk Creek and Howardsville (if any)? These will be used in our risk assessment to estimate a dose to wildlife that eat fish.

Dan

**From:** White - DNR, Jim [mailto:j.white@state.co.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 6:45 AM  
**To:** Wall, Dan  
**Subject:** Re: Upper Animas River sampling

Hi Dan,

I will keep you posted on our arrangements. We rode the train from Rockwood to Teft spur the first day then took a small diesel locomotive pulling a flat car with people and equipment on back down to the Elk Creek Wye several years ago. That worked really well. There is a whole bunch of equipment and people that has to go along.

Thanks,

Jim

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On Tue, Aug 27, 2013 at 6:37 AM, Wall, Dan <[wall.dan@epa.gov](mailto:wall.dan@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Jim

We have been working with the train folks for the last year and a half. They have taken us down several times without charge but our group was much smaller and we just road a little pup car. I assume that a pup car and flat bed is what you all typically use or do you go on the main train? We can make some inquiries if you would like.

I would like to come down and help. There are a couple folks I would like to bring if they are available. I will look into it and get back to you. Please let me know if Bill comes up with something.

Dan

**From:** White - DNR, Jim [mailto:[j.white@state.co.us](mailto:j.white@state.co.us)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 6:23 AM

**To:** Wall, Dan  
**Cc:** Barb Horn - DNR; Blackburn, Robyn; Blackburn, Robyn  
**Subject:** Re: Upper Animas River sampling

Hi Dan,

I can cover the crew personnel if you can't make it down but I wanted to give you the first opportunity to come along. Do you have the time to make it on those dates (or one or two of those dates)? Let me know how many you would be bringing. Also, Barb Horn sent Bill Simon a copy of my earlier message with the dates and estimated number of people for I assume arranging train tickets and passage down to the Elk Creek Wye. Barb, please correct me if my assumption is wrong and I will get to work on the train tickets. Dan - that is an area where if we have to pay for the tickets, we could use some support. I never thought I would say this but hopefully it will stop raining around here and flows will drop below 100 cfs up there so we can do the work in several weeks. If they don't drop a few days before the trip, I will have to cancel/postpone into October.

Thanks,

Jim

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On Mon, Aug 26, 2013 at 10:21 AM, Wall, Dan <[wall.dan@epa.gov](mailto:wall.dan@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jim

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to assist you on this effort-either in terms of assisting with the survey or arranging the train.

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**From:** White - DNR, Jim [mailto:[j.white@state.co.us](mailto:j.white@state.co.us)]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 1:44 PM  
**To:** Barb Horn - DNR  
**Cc:** Wall, Dan  
**Subject:** Upper Animas River sampling

Hi Barb,

I was contacted by Dan Wall with EPA early in the year about repeating the 2010 Upper Animas Fish survey this fall. Well, it is almost fall and I don't have anything put together! Would you like to come along on the crew this year and I know you or someone from the ARSG got us

tickets on the train, could you manage that again? If not, no big deal just let me know and will give them a call. I will be putting together a crew of 10 max. The itinerary is as follows:

1. Sept 25-Day 1. Teft spur. Meet at Rockwood, load gear (about 250 lbs) and people at 8AM (or about 45 min before the train gets there).
2. Sept 26-Day 2. Elk Park Wye and A-72 sites. 2010 we met in Silverton at 8AM and took a small diesel engine with a flatbed down to the Elk Park Wye. Hopefully we can arrange that again?
3. Sept 27-Day 3. Mineral Creek and Howardsville. Both drive to spots.

We would cancel if the weather is bad and the flows are high.

Thanks,

Jim

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